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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back from the mid-year break! We hope that you and your family members are keeping well.

1. Character and Citizenship Education

For July, the 'Value of the Month' is **Perseverance**. Our foci are as follows:

Habit 1: Be Proactive: I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods.

Habit 2: Begin With the End in Mind: I plan ahead and set goals.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: When conflicts arise, I look for a win-win solution.

Habit 4: Think Win-Win: I can problem solve when an issue comes up with another person

Having resilience-fostering interactions with other children help them develop perseverance. This can be done through giving them S.P.A.C.E to grow. The table below shows how you can practise S.P.A.C.E at home.

S	upport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide positive feedback • Be willing to listen
P	roblem Solve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflect on setbacks together • Guide your child to develop alternate plans
A	ffirm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affirm strengths and efforts • Use of effective praise
C	heer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheer your child on for every effort • Celebrate all successes, even small ones
E	mpower	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Let your child make decisions • Encourage your child to voice his/her ideas, and carry out the plans made

To learn more about affirming efforts and using effective praise, please refer to the following resources:

- [Praise Your Child - Do It Well, Do It Right \(Infographic\)](#)
- [How Do You Praise? \(Video\)](#)



2. Stretch & Support Schedules

The Stretch-Support-Supplementary (S3) Programme for Primary 1-6 will start on the following weeks:

Level	Starting Week / Date	Day
P5 & P6	Week 1 (27 June)	Mondays and Wednesdays
P1 & P2	Week 1 (30 June)	Thursdays
P3 & P4	Week 1 (1 July)	Fridays

A letter with the schedule will be sent to parents of the identified students closer to the starting dates.

3. Temperature Taking Exercise – Wednesday, 29 June 2022

Conducted twice per year, the temperature-taking exercise aims to maintain schools' preparedness to re-activate the temperature-taking regime should there be a need to. It also serves to educate students on taking personal responsibility for their own health and practising social responsibility.

The temperature-taking exercise will be conducted on **Wednesday, 29 June 2022**.

As part of the school's preparation for the exercise, we will be conducting a pre-exercise check on the students' Oral Digital Thermometers (ODTs) on **Tuesday, 28 June 2022**. We would like to seek your assistance in ensuring that your child/ward brings his/her personal ODT on the day mentioned.

4. Tinkerlution Challenge – Friday, 15 July 2022

For Tinkerlution Challenge this year, students will take part in various hands-on activities that will spark curiosity and require them to apply thinking and problem-solving skills. Based on their respective levels, students will explore activities that include upcycling, creating ball launchers and tinkering with electronics. While teachers put on the hat of "Facilitator", students lead the way as "Tinkerneers" engaging in creative exploration and learning.

5. Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight – Monday, 18 July 2022 to Friday, 22 July 2022

This year, the Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Fortnight would be conducted for all MTL students in the school in two parts. The first part was introduced in Term 1 during the Chinese New Year period with various cultural activities. The second part will be conducted this term from 18 July 2022 to 22 July 2022. A variety of activities will be conducted within the classrooms to provide platforms for our students to actively learn about and appreciate culture so as to experience MTL as a 'living language'.

6. Racial Harmony Day – Commemorating on Tuesday, 19 July 2022

The theme for Racial Harmony Day this year is "Singapore: Our Multicultural Mosaic".

This year's Racial Harmony Day theme focuses on the appreciation of the diverse races and religions that make up our multicultural society and contribute to our shared sense of cohesion and harmony.

In line with the school's core values, students will understand the importance of values like respect and empathy in their daily interactions with others. Lessons for lower primary will focus on building friendships with people from all ethnic communities in age-appropriate ways. For upper primary students, they will learn about standing up against unkind words and actions and appreciating the diversity across cultures. Students will explore what it means to strengthen connection amongst communities and to take action to preserve racial harmony in Singapore.

7.P6 Preliminary Oral Examination – Monday, 25 July & Wednesday, 27 July 2022

The P6 will be having their Preliminary Oral Examinations on Monday, 25 July and Wednesday, 27 July 2022. Candidates will be informed of their estimated dismissal times closer to the date. The schedule will closely follow the PSLE sequence of testing to familiarise candidates with the actual flow of the PSLE Oral Examinations. Hence, candidates will be grouped into 2 sessions (Session 1 and Session 2) for each testing day, based on their PSLE arrangement.

- Session 1: After being tested, candidates will move to a Quarantine Room. They will be dismissed only when all Session 1 candidates have been tested and all Session 2 candidates are accounted for.
- Session 2: Candidates will be dismissed after being tested.

As most teachers will be involved in the examination, all afternoon activities for the other levels will be cancelled with the exception of the following:

- P3 and P4 SDR sessions

8.P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination – Tuesday, 2 August 2022

The P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension examination is scheduled for 2 August 2022 from 1.30pm to 4.45pm. Candidates not taking Mother Tongue Languages will be dismissed at 3.30pm. All afternoon classes and activities will be cancelled for the day.

9.School Activities (27 June 2022 – 15 August 2022)

The school will provide further details as necessary closer to the date, otherwise the schedule below serves as a notification.

Date	Activities	Levels & Classes involved	Attachment / Reply slips
29 June 2022 (Wed)	Temperature Taking Exercise	All	
4 July 2022 (Mon)	School Holiday – Youth Day	All	
5 July 2022 (Tue)	School Emergency Preparedness Exercise (Fire Incident Drill)	All	
9 July 2022 (Sat)	National Education Show 2	P5	<i>More details will be given nearer the date</i>
10 July 2022 (Sun)	Public Holiday – Hari Raya Haji	All	
11 July 2022 (Mon)	Public Holiday In-Lieu – Hari Raya Haji	All	
15 July 2022 (Fri)	Tinkerlution Challenge	All	
18 July (Mon) to 22 July 2022 (Fri)	Mother Tongue Language Fortnight	All students taking MTLs	

Date	Activities	Levels & Classes involved	Attachment / Reply slips
19 July 2022 (Tue)	Racial Harmony Day	All	
25 July (Mon) and 27 July 2022 (Wed)	P6 Preliminary Oral Examination	P6	
1 August (Mon) to 3 August 2022 (Wed)	P5 Outdoor Adventure Camp	P5	<i>More details will be given on Parents Gateway nearer the date</i>
2 August 2022 (Tue)	P6 Preliminary Listening Comprehension Examination	P6	
8 August 2022 (Mon)	National Day Celebration	All	
9 August 2022 (Tue)	Public Holiday – National Day	All	
10 August 2022 (Wed)	School Holiday – Day After National Day	All	
15 August (Mon) to 16 August 2022 (Tue)	P6 PSLE Oral Examination	P6	
	P1 to P5 students need not report to school	P1 to P5	

We wish our students an enriching term ahead and thank all parents/guardians for your continual support in your children's learning and development.

Thank you and keep safe!

Yours in partnership,



Mr Chua Choon Guan
Principal